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## ***New Jersey's Soybean Yield Sets New Record High***

**Note:** Yield forecasts in this report are based on conditions around October 1 and do not reflect changes in conditions since that time.

- **Corn** production is forecast at 9.22 million bushels, an increase of 7 percent from the September 1, 2004, forecast. Expected yield per harvested acre is 128 bushels per acre, up 15 bushels from the previous year. The state record yield is 134 bushels per acre, set in 2000. The 10-year (1994-2003) state average yield is 100 bushels per acre. Area intended for harvest as grain is 72,000 acres, up 11,000 from last year.
- **Soybean** production is set at 4.24 million bushels, up 10 percent from the September 1, 2004, forecast. New Jersey soybean production in 2003 was 2.99 million bushels. The October 1, 2004, soybean yield is forecast at 42 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from the previous month's forecast. As a new record high, this yield is 2 bushels above the record high set in 2000 of 40 bushels. The 10-year average (1994-2003) is 31 bushels per acre. Harvested acreage is revised to 101,000, up 5,000 from the previous month's forecast. Area harvested in 2003 was 88,000 acres.

### **Acreage, Yield, and Production of Corn and Soybeans**

Crop	Acres for Harvest			Yield per Acre			Production		
	Final 2003	Sept 1 2004 Forecast	Oct 1 2004 Forecast	Final 2003	Sept 1 2004 Forecast	Oct 1 2004 Forecast	Final 2003	Sept 1 2004 Forecast	Oct 1 2004 Forecast
<b>NEW JERSEY</b> - Thousand Acres -      - Bushels -      - Thousand Bushels -									
Corn for grain	61	72	72	113.0	120.0	128.0	6,893.0	8,640.0	9,216.0
Soybeans	88	96	101	34.0	40.0	42.0	2,992.0	3,840.0	4,242.0
<b>UNITED STATES</b> - Thousand Acres -      - Bushels -      - Million Bushels -									
Corn for grain	71,139	73,377	73,311	142.2	149.4	158.4	10,113.9	10,960.7	11,613.2
Soybeans	72,476	73,655	73,990	33.9	38.5	42.0	2,453.7	2,836.0	3,106.9

**Note:** The next crop production forecast will be released November 12, 2004.

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